

they will subsist. I know not in the condition they are in, and now that Provisions are growing dear. I am endeavouring to dispose of what little I had, in order to come off, but there is not a penny of Money to be had for Goods; we are forced to give eight or ten shillings in the pound to exchange Brass for Silver, and glad we can meet with it so to.

Here are very few or no Plows going, the silly Irish never thinking of the morrow, or what Misery must inevitably attend them thereby.

The Soldiers here are extremely sickly, and dye of a kind of Spotted Fever some have gone to bed well at night, and found dead in the morning, and the Soldiers being sent throughout the Country to Quarter, have brought the Infection along with them.

We hear that Mazzoni is certainly going to Die in, for which there were Bonfires and great Rejoicings.

Colonel Butler who is Governor of

this place now, and had a Regiment, brought but Eighty Men from the Campagne; he is daily getting Recruits; but those who now lift themselves in hopes of a little Winters Plunder, will I am sure desert when they know they are to go upon Service.

Captain Fair, who brought over my Lord/Dessier from France, is turned out of his Command, his Lordship having accused him, for being the cause why a certain Ship of Arms which accompanied them was taken.

King James has disposed of the Ship, but I hear not to who. The Irish here are daily looking out for French Succors. I with the English Fleet did but appear upon the Coast, and had any Landing Men on Board, it might do great Execution upon them, now at a time they expect and only rely upon what Foreign Force they shall have, and are unprovided to receive such Goods. Remember me to your good Family, and believe me always,

Your most Affectionate Brother,

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A Full and Perfect

RELATION

OF A

Great and Signal Victory

Gain'd by the

English and Hollanders

OVER THE

FRENCH.

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Licens'd, August 24. 1689.

TWO such great Armies as those of the Prince of *Waldeck*, and of the *Mareschal D'Humieres* being so nigh each other, as our late Relations have inform'd us, it could not well be expected they should be long in such a Posture without entring upon Action: And accordingly we have now an Account of a considerable Rencounter that happened between them, on the 25 of *August*, N. S. wherein the *French* were the Aggressors, but to their own loss, as you may see by the Letter which the Prince of *Waldeck* writ to the States-General, and which he sent them by an *Express*. The Letter is as follows:

Highty and Mighty Lords,

UPON the Advice we received this Morning, That the *Mareschal D'Humieres* was upon his March with his whole Army, which within a few days had been Re-inforced with Six Thousand Men, we fired some Pieces of Cannon, to intimate this motion to a great party of Your Lordships Army, which was gone out to Forage: In the mean while the Van-Guard of the Enemy attacked the Village Forge, where were Posted Eight Hundred Foot, to cover the Forragers; they were Commanded by the English Collonel *Hodges*, by Lieutenant-Collonel *Goes*, and by the Major of the Regiment of *Hesse*; this Attack lasted Two Hours, and our Men behav'd themselves with an unexpressible Courage, until such time as that Monsieur *Roo*, Major of Horse, who had been sent to bring back the Lieutenant-Generals, *Webbenum*, *Marlborough*, and *D'Hubi*, with the Forragers came in to their Succours, with some Cavalry; then our Men fought Retreating against the whole French Army, which came pouring upon them, until that they came to a rising Ground near the little City of *Walcour*, where we had posted a Battalion of the Troops of *Lunenburg*, which was also Re-inforced with another of Collonel *Holle*; The French attack'd this City with the utmost fury during Two Hours and a half. Lieutenant-General *Ailva* advanc'd to Succour it, with Three Regiments, of which he had detach'd that of the Brigadier *Talmusch*: Lieutenant-General *Marlborough* follow'd with the English Horse Life-Guards, and